

BLM

Litchfield, CA Wild Horse and Burro Facility

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A young 5 month old bay stud colt from outside High Rock HMA came in today and I examined this colt for lameness of the RF. The distal cannon bone was visible through the skin laterally and obviously dislocated. There is no chance of repairing the injury and the animal was euthanized with 30cc Fatal Plus IV, BLM personnel took care of the animal. This animal was lame when it arrived and it is possible that it tried to walk on the leg and caused the progression of the injury. I believe this foal came in on truck #2. A photo of the injury has been saved in the records.

On 11/9/2011 33 studs arrived from outside Fox Hog HMA and 3 studs arrived from inside the Fox Hog HMA. They appear to be in good shape with no serious injuries. A second truck arrived this same day with 15 mares and 7 foals outside the High Rock HMA. Another 13 mares and 5 foals arrived from outside the Fox Hog HMA. They appear to be in good shape.

Today, the first truck had 39 studs from outside the High Rock HMA. The second truck contained 12 foals and 27 mares from outside the High Rock HMA. This second truck contained the above mentioned foal which was euthanized. Some foals had sore feet but no major injuries. A goose neck load of 6 studs arrived from outside the High Rock HMA and were in good shape.

I also examined a bay mare that has a puncture wound in the L hock and the R caudal thigh region, a sorrel colt with a swollen L point of the shoulder which is lame and a black colt with a RF abscessed fetlock/pastern area. We will continue antibiotics, antiinflammatories and keep up front to be examined in a couple of days again. These animals were from 10/26/11 gather and have been receiving medications usually every other day, they are eating and drinking.

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